Busy Day for All Hands Aboard the Hohenzollern - Date of Aldermen's Reception to the Prince Changed-How Expenses of Celebration Will Be Paid.

Rear Admiral Count von Baudissin and the officers and crew of the Imperial vacht Hohenzoliera, had a busy day yesterday, the Admiral and the officers attending to the official and social duties that fall to the lot of foreign officers in a friendly port and the crew scraping, painting, cleaning and gilding the yacht, so that when Prince Henry arrives it will be as spruce and clean and brilliant as it is when the Emperor himself honors it with his presence. It is costing \$500 a day, according to an officer of the North German Lloyd steamship line, to get the Hohenzollern in shape for the Prince's reception, the most expensive of the work being the regilding of the carved wood work with which the yacht abounds. Miles and miles of this gilding is being done, the trip over here having dulled the gold

It was late yesterday afternoon before Admiral von Baudissin left the yacht and came to this city. All the early part of the day he spent on board, receiving distinguished visitors, only leaving once, when he went to make an official call on the Mayor

The call on the Mayor of Hoboken was the event of the day. The Mayor, Mr. Lankering, makes cigars for a living when he is not too busy with his official duties and when he was notified that the Admiral was going to call on him, he ruined a yard roll of cigars, which he was making all at once, in his haste to get into his frock coat and over to the City Hall ahead of his distinguished countryman. He got there all right and a large audience was entertained little later by the efforts of the Mayor while talking English, to make himself thoroughly understood. The Admiral speaks

Admiral von Baudissin was accompanied on his trip to the City Hall in Hoboken by Lieut. von Haxthausen and his orderly, Valdimer Bleizener. The Admiral wore his gorgeous uniform, the same one he wore at the City Hall in this city on Thursday, with his breast covered with decora-Lieut. von Haxthausen was also in full uniform and amply supplied with decorations. A big crowd waited at the City Hall to see the officers. The Admiral walked up to the Mayor with a smile on his face and shook his hand cordially. The Admiral spoke first in German. He said that he wanted to thank the Mayor for the kindness which had been shown to his men in Hoboken and for the general hospitality and warm greeting of everybody to himself and his men. The Mayor replied, also in and his men. The Mayor replied, also in German, that the city was very proud to have such distinguished guests and hoped that all of the officers and men of the Hohenzollern would make themselves at home there. A number of city officials who had come in were presented in turn to the Admiral and to his aid. After a while the Mayor said:

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Our city is very proud of this visit from the Emperor's yacht. We have a pronounced German population here, probably the greatest in proportion to its size in any city in the country, and furthermore this is the home of the two great German steamship lines. It is a matter of disappointment to us that the Prince is not going to be here himself, but we will be very happy to join in doing him honor with our brethren of New York.

In reply the Admiral said: In reply the Admiral said:

The Prince's plans had not been completed when I left Germany, and I didn't know what he was going to do when he gets here until I got here myself the other day. I am sure that I he knew what I know about your city, though, and how glad your cityens would be to see him and assure him of your friendship, he would be very glad to change his plans so as to include a visit to your city.

After some more polite passages the Admiral got to the subject that has become a favorite one with him since he came to New York on Thursday, the changes in the metropolis since he was here in 1868. The Admiral could not say enough in praise of New York and he talked of the high buildings, the old Bridge and the new Bridge and the other wonders of this city, as though the Mayor didn't know anything about them himself.

At 11:39 o'clock the call was over and the Admiral and his aid drove back to the Hohenzollern. The Admiral had hardly reached his quarters when Capt, von Reu-ter-Paschwitz, naval attaché at the Ger-man Embassy in Washington, was an-nounced. The Captain had a long con-ference with the Admiral in his stateroom. was said afterward that the visit was nnly a formal one. At 12:30 o'clock Gen. Brooke returned the

At 12:30 o clock Gen. Brooke returned the Admiral's call, coming to the Hohenzollern on the tug Col. Wikoff. The General's call was very brief. An hour later Rear Admiral Barker came over from the Brooklyn Navy Yard on the tug Narkeeta, accompanied by Capt. West. They were in ful. uniform and also made a mere formal call. At 4 o'clock the Admiral in frock coat and slik hat came over to this city call. At 4 o'clock the Admiral in frock coat and silk hat came over to this city and called on Howard Gould and sent his card to Mrs. Robert Goelet. Mr. Gould and her yacht Niagara and Mrs. Goelet and her yacht Nahma were at Kiel last year when the Hohenzollern was there and the Admiral become well acquainted with the when the Hohenzollern was there and the Admiral became well acquainted with them. Last night the Admiral and twelve of the officers of the Hohenzollern were entertained at dinner on board the Kaiser Willelm der Grosse at Pier 52 North River. Capt. Hogemann acted as host and the party had a merry time. Some of the officers went to the Irving Place Theatre after the dinner.

will go to Shooter's Island with two other officers of the Hohenzollern and will make an inspection of the Kaiser's new yacht. In the afternoon he will receive the Mayor of Hoboken and other callers. Six of the officers will start on a private trip to Niagara Fells to-day and will return on Sunday. On Monday six other officers will go on the

same journey.

It was quite late last night when Admiral von Baudissin and his fellow officers got back to the Hohenzollern. After the dinner on the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, the Admiral and a number of others went to the Broadway Theatre to see "The Skeping Beauty and the Beast." They occupied Proprietor Litt's box. Mr. and Mrs. Meade and Mr. Meade's sister were the only ones in the box outside of the officers of the Bohenzollern. The party was recognized Echenzollern. The party was recognized at once and at the end of the second act the orchestra struck up "Die Wacht am Rhein." There was a great deal of cheer-Rhein. There was a great deal of cheer-ing and the Admiral stood up in his box

and bowed several times.

Hundreds of people went to Hoboken
yesterday to see the Hohenzollern, but Very few succeeded in getting out on the pier and only a few of those that got this far succeeded in getting on the yacht. Of all the callers, there were only two who in any way violated the hospitality ex-ended to them. A cigarmaker named Alfred Liebenstein, and a lithographer camed Manley got on the yacht, and Liebenstein introduced himself to the officers as an ex-Captain of the German army. He introduced Manley as captain of the Boston

introduced Manley as captain of the Boston Yacht Club. Every courtesy was extended to the two men and they were conducted through the entire ship. After they left they went to a nearby barroom and bragged of the way they had fooled the officers of the Kaiser's yacht.

The men of the Hohenzollern, who have succeeded in getting shore leave, have been having a fine time of it. In Hoboken as well as in New York, they have been seized by enthusiastic folks as soon as they have shown themselves and have been treated royally. At the bowling clubs in Hoboken the men have played horse with some of the best local German players, but the latter haven't cared very much whether they were beaten or not.

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Hofrath Waldmann, the Kaiser's chef, arrived on the Graf Waldersee yesterday with a half dozen assistants and went to the Hohenzollern. He will prepare all the meals for the Prince during his stay

here, save those he takes away from the yacht.

Another change in the plans for receiving Prince Henry at the City Hall was announced yesterday by Mayor Low. The Mayor received a telegram from his private secretary, Mr. Beebe, who is in Washington, to the effect that it had been decided by the committee there that it would be better to have the Prince's reception by the Board of Aldermen, when the ceremony of granting him the freedom of the city will be gone through with, on Feb. 25, the day of the launching, instead of on Feb. 22, the day the Prince is expected fo arrive.

The Prince will attend the launching in the morning, take luncheon with the President at the yard and then return to the city for the ceremony at the City Hall in the afternoon. Following that will come the dinner given to him by the Mayor at the Metropolitan Club at 6 o'clock. From the dinner the Prince will go to the gala opera performance which will wind up probably the busiest day he will have.

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It has been decided not to make public any statement of the arrangements that have been made to finance the Prince's reception in this city. The sub-committee on finance of the Mayor's Reception Committee, of which John Crosby Brown is chairman, has divided up the work by appointing a sub-committee to arrange a guarchairman, has divided up the work by appointing a sub-committee to arrange a guarantee fund. The committee, of which frederick D. Tappen is the head, has been going around quietly among the wealthy men of the city and has already a list made up of persons and the amounts up to which they will contribute. This is in excess, a member said yesterday, of the sum required to meet all expenses. The first estimate of the expense of the Prince's entertainment was \$40,000, but this has been raised recently.

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Members of the Finance Committee refused to give the final figures yesterday, but one of them made the statement that it had already been pledged twice over. The scheme that has finally been hit on is to distribute the expense among those who are on the committee's list, pro rata.

A well-known banker who is getting up the guarantee fund said yesterday:

"We do not propose to have the public know how our patriotism and courtesy is measured in dollars and cents, and for that reason no statement of our doings will be made public. We know now, however, that we shall have enough money to meet all expenses."

Some of the expenses which the committee will have to meet are the Mayor's dinner to the Prince at the Metropolitan Club, the boxes at the opera and seats for the Mayor's 100 invited guests, and the expenses of the Mayor's trip to Shooter's Island, which will be in a specially chartered boat. The Mayor's dinner, while it is to be a private affair, is given in his capacity as Mayor, and, it was said yesterday, would be paid for by the committee.

Maurice Grau announced yesterday that the sale of tickets to the public for the opera performance would not begin until Feb. 22. All day yesterday there was a line of people in his office wanting seats and two basketsful of written applications on his desk. Herman Ridder announced yesterday a slight change in the programme of the dinner at the Waldorf-Astoria given by the Staats-Zeitung in honor of the Prince and at which 1,200 will sit down. In view of the fact that 400 of the guests will have to eat in another room the toasts, instead of being responded to through the dinner, will not be given until the coffee is served and the entire company gets together.

The contractors for the subway work in City Hall Park are rushing work and say that the park will be cleared of everything when' the Prince arrives. Where work remains to be

Pilot Pierce, who brought the Honenzollern into port, with an officer from the Hohenzollern and a representative of the Dock Department, made soundings at the West Thirty-fourth street pier yesterday and found plenty of water for the yacht. She will be brought up alongside the pier

She will be brought up alongside the pier on Wednesday.

Representatives of the 320 German socities which are to take part in a parade in honor of Prince Henry, to be reviewed by him on Feb. 25, met last night at Terrace Garden. In accordance with the plans perfected at the meeting about nine thousand men will be in line. The line is to form at Seventy-second street and Park avenue and march down Park avenue to Fifty-ninth street, Prince Henry reviewing the parade at Arion Hall. The parade will move about 6:30 o'clock in the evening. Twenty-four bands of music are to play.

The music committee had arranged that none but German patriotic airs should be

none but German patriotic airs should be played but Dr. Senner, ex-Sheriff Grell and others declared that the Star Spangled Banner should go with "Die Wacht Am Rhein," and finally won their point.

A committee of nine will present the

Hell in a gold box. All employees of German laborers are to be asked to give their men a half holiday on that day without reducing wages. The Franco-Prussian War Veter-ans, it was announced, will give an informal reception to the officers of the Hohenzollern to-morrow evening at Arlington Hall.

MAYOR CALLS ON ADMIRAL. But Doesn't Find Him In-Pass Each Other in Midstream.

Mayor Low, accompanied by his secretary, James B. Reynolds, went over to Hoboken shortly, before 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon to return the call which Admiral von Baudissin of the imperial yacht Hohenzoliern made at the City Hall on Thursday. The Mayor had not intended to make the call, until 4 o'clock in the afternoon, when he was informed that the Admiral had been waiting aboard the yacht since 2 o'clock in the afternoon for him. He had been under the impression that his greetings to the Admiral on Wednesday by the hand of his secretary was enough, but he was satisfied that if the Admiral

but he was satisfied that if the Admiral expected him it was the proper thing to go over and see him. On a question of German naval etiquette the Mayor was quite ready to yield to the Admiral.

It was a fact that the Admiral had been waiting for the Mayor. He expected his call to be returned yesterday afternoon, but at 3:30 o'clock when the Mayor had not come he divested himself of his gorgeous uniform, and putting on a frock coat and a silk hat, came over to this city. He left the Hohenzollern at exactly 4 o'clock, the same time that the Mayor started from the City Hall to see him. The ferryboats on which they were passed one another in midstream. The Mayor and Mr. Reynolds were received by Capt. von Holleben, who was profuse in his regrets over the occurrence. The Mayor and Mr. Reynolds were taken all over the yacht and expressed great admiration of the magnificent decogreat admiration of the magnificent deco-rations. They left their cards and then came back to this city.

SQUADRON TO GREET PRINCE. Warships Will Lie Off Tompkinsville and Fire Salute.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.-The programme for the recep ion of Prince Henry at Tompkinsville was finally arranged to-day and will be formally announced later. When the will be formally announced later. When the Kronprinz Wilhelm arrives off Tompkinsville on Feb. 22, she will be saluted by the special squadron under Admiral Evars. Then Admiral Evans will go on board a Government tug in which he will proceed to the Kronprinz Wilhelm, and the tug will carry the royal visitor to the Hohenzollern where the President's delegates, headed by Assistant Secretary of State Hill will welcome the Prince to the United States in behalf of Mr Roosevelt. The Prince will then receive Mayor Low and special delegations. These calls will be returned immediately by the Prince in person or by proxy. The Hohenzollern, escorted by the New York, will then proceed to her pior at the foot of Thirty-fourth street. Admiral Evans left Washington this afternoon for New York. He will stop at the Albermarie Hotel until Feb. 17, when he will assume command of the special squadron.

The cruisers San Francisco and Cincinnaticalled to-day from Hampton Roeds for Tompkinsville, where they will join the battleship Illinois and the cruiser Clympia, the other vessels of the special squadron to greet Prince Henry. Kronprinz Wilhelm arrives off Tompkins-

ADMIRAL VISITS HOBOKEN, here, save those he takes away from the NO POLITICS IN PRINCE'S VISIT. Berlin Paper Repeats That on the Ev

Special Cable Despatch to TRE SUN.
BERLIN, Feb. 14.—Nothing is known here of Prince Henry's alleged letter to Admiral Dewey. The Prince's departure occupies little public attention, not be cause the people are opposed to his visit, but it is regarded that his going to the United States is merely an act of courtesy, and that all the facts in connection with

his visit are known. The Neueste Nachrichten, one of the few newspapers that comment on his departure, reemphasizes the statement that the visit is absolutely not connected with politics, notwithstanding which the insinuations of Germany's enemies are aimed at prejudicing the Prince's reception in the United States. It continues:

"Americans know what value to place on such endeavors, and they will accept the greeting Germany offers as simply and as straightforwardly as we mean it. He is not accompanied by a squadron, and does not go even aboard a warship, but as a private man, the exalted bearer of a mission from the Kaiser of the German

people to the American nation.

"He takes the long voyage to spend a few weeks as a guest on American soil. This fact alone gives his visit an intimate character, perfectly free of all secondary motives."

PRINCE HENRY SAILS TO-DAY. Will Not Keep Apart From the Other Saloon Passengers.

Special Cable Despatch to TRE SUN BREMEN, Feb. 14.—Prince Henry's rooms on the steamer Kronprinz Wilhelm have been beautifully decorated and furnished, but it is understood that he prefers not to separate himself from the other saloon passengers. He and his suite will take

passengers. He and his suite will take their meals in the public dining room.

A number of American reporters and photographers have come here especially to make the voyage on the steamer with the Prince. Admiral von Tirpitz, Genvon Plessen, Vice-Admiral von Seckendorf and the others of the Prince's suite will join him here to-morrow and they will travel by train together to Bremerhaven, where they will board the steamer.

Gossip asserts that Prince Henry wishes to make himself democratic as far as

to make himself democratic as far as possible. He will talk with the reporters on condition that they will not quote his words.

A large space has been boarded off in the hold of the Kronprinz Wilhelm for his baggage, and two staterooms have been set aside for the same purpose. The twelve staterooms that his suite will occupy and the forward promenade deck, iso lated from the other cabins.

Spencer Eddy Coming on Steamer With Prince Henry.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN BERLIN, Feb. 14.-Mr. Spencer P. Eddy, Secretary of the American Legation at Constantinople, will sail for New York on Saturday on the steamer Kronprinz Wil-helm, on which Prince Henry will also be a

San Francisco and Cincinnati Sail. NORFOLK, Va., Feb. 14.-The cruisers San Francisco and Cincinnati sailed from Hamp-ton Roads to-day for New York, where they will take part in the reception to Prince

OBITUARY.

Warren G. Brown, formerly consulting counsel of the law firm of Fletcher, McCutchen & Brown, died yesterday at his residence, 111 West Ninety-third street Mr. Brown was born at Cherry Valley, N. Y. in 1823, and was graduated from Union College with the class of '47. He was professor of English literature at Union College until 1853, and then became professor of evidence at the New York State Law School, a post which he occupied until 1857. He subsequently took up the practice of law in New York, and became one of the most prominent real estate lawyers of his time. He was the senior partner of the firm of Brown & Van Duzer, afterward Brown & Pease, at 170 Broadway. Owing to his failing health Mr. Brown retired from active practice some years ago. He leaves a daughter, Mrs. Charles Stewart Smith, and a son, Alfred Lockwood Brown, who was at one time in partnership with his father.

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Mrs. Alexander Mitchell, widow of the first President of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad, and mother of former United States Senator Mitchell of Wisconsin, died vesterday in Jacksonville, Fla. She was born in Westford, Mass., in 1818, her maiden name being Martha Reed. In 1838 she moved to Milwaukee and in 1845 married Alexander Mitchell. In 1866 they went to Jacksonville and built a home across the river called Villa Alexandria. She built All Saints Church there and liberally aided in building houses of worship elsewhere. She also did much to aid in starting St. Luke's Hospital there. She had travelled extensively, having crossed the ocean eighteen times. She visited Europe, Asia, Africa, Mexico and Cuba. In 1898 she was elected Vice-Regent of the Daughters of the American Revolution for Wisconsin. She had seven grandchilden and one great grandchild.

Robinson W. Cator, one of Baltimore's best-known business men, died yester-

of the American She had seven grandchild.

Robinson W. Cator, one of Baltimore's best-known business men, died yesterday in that city after a long lilness. He was born in Dorchester county, near Cambridge, on the Eastern Shore of Maryland, in 1826. He entered into partnership with the late Thomas Armstrong in 1847. The practical sympathy manifested by Mr. Cator for Southern Drisoners during the Civil War, and the liberality of the firm after the war's termination in extending facilities to reduced merchants secured grateful recollection. His wife was Miss Caroline Pattison of Dorchester county, Md. She died in the summer of 1899.

H. D. Bendixen, one of the best known ship builders on the Pacific Coast, died at Eureka. Cal., on Wedneaday night, Bendixen was a Dane who went West in 1865 and after working in ship yards, started in the business of ship building at Fair Haven, Wash. He built 113 vessels of all classes.

Puscal Davie, President of the Webb Chemical Company of Richmond, Va., a man of large means, fell dead last night at the Westmoreland Club in that city. He was an enthusiastic horseman and owned some line animals.

John M. Potter, publisher of the News of Amesbury, Mass, died in Salem, Mass, on Thursday night, aged 52



How about your boy? Beginning to get "weedy?" Long trousers will trim him up, if they're trim trousers-cut to keep the boy a boy and his mother young.

That sort with our boys' longtrouser suits. Extra trousers of the same

boyish cut. Everything boys wear, including sturdy shoes, stylish hats,

stunning furnishings. ROGERS, PEET & COMPANY. 258 Breadway, cor. Warren, and 7 and 9 Warren St-569 Broadway, cor. Prince 1260 Broadway, cor. 32d, and 54 West 33d St-

\$42,000 FOR TITIAN PORTRAIT

MILLIKEN COLLECTION BRINGS \$128,325 AT AUCTION.

The Sale Last Night Was One of the Most Interesting Ever Held in New York
—The Twenty-six Paintings Put Up Sold at an Average of Nearly \$5,000 Each.

By far the most interesting collection of paintings offered at auction in New York this season, that belonging to E. F. Milliken was sold by Thomas E. Kirby as auctioneer for the American Art Association in Mendelssohn Hall last evening, and the sale was as interesting as the collection itself. The twenty-six pictures sold fetched a total of \$128,325, or an average price of very nearly \$5,000 each, which has rarely if ever been equalled at the public sale of so small

collection in this city. The top figure of the lot, \$42,000, paid for Titian's portrait of Glorgio Cornaro, has been exceeded only by half a dozen paintings disposed of here at public sale. if indeed this Titian is not within the half dozen highest-priced paintings knocked down in the New York auction mart.

It was very much of a Degas night at Mendelssohn Hall; it was certainly an impressionists' night, notwithstanding the top figure brought by the Old Master. Degas's picture of the side scenes of a theatre, "Les Coulisses," or "Behind the Scenes" for those who prefer their titles in English, was sought by people in all parts of the house, and from \$1,000 the price of it was sent up to \$0,100.

It called forth the liveliest bidding of the evening, and a part of the time Mr. Kirby could scarcely call the bids rapidly enough for the eager bidders. Interests who have been generally looked to as ready to protect productions of the impressionists ceased bidding at half the final price of the painting. The same artist's racetrack composition went for \$1,000 less.

Monet's facade of the Rouen Cathedral in early morning, which was sold for \$3,100

in early morning, which was sold for \$3,100 at the American Art Association's sale last season to a dealer, was knocked down to another dealer last evening for \$4,000. The surprise of the evening came immediately after this, when Monet's "Sortie du Port de Boulogne" was sent up to \$7,050, while his masterful head, "The Smoker," went as the following number for \$3,100. The Boulogne canvas appeared to be valued as one of the artist's comparatively scarce marines, and to be wanted by several reluctant but pertinacious bidders, each

scarce marines, and to be wanted by several reluctant but pertinacious bidders. each of whom was loath to let it get away.

Daubigny's lovely "Cliff at Villerville" jumped from the first bid of \$2,500 to \$4,000, selling at \$5,500; and admirers of Homer Martin's "Westchester Hills," which has been so widely commended, while bemoaning the reluctance of American picture buyers to offer liberally for works of the first American painters, took satisfaction in the fact that this well-known canyas went up to within \$200 of the adcanvas went up to within \$200 of the admirable Daubigny, although Millet's poetio dream (No. 22 of the catalogue) was sent

dream (No. 22 of the catalogue) was sent rapidly up to \$8,250.

The only work of Puvis de Chavannes disposed of at public sale here brought \$4,100 and may very likely be found in a Southern city when next it is publicly seen. Corot's "St. Sebastian" went to the unexpected figure of \$20,000, and Alden Weir's miscatalogued "Green Bodice," which was made to appear as "Reflections"—a name borne by another of Mr. Weir's works—was obtained for \$1,125, although it had been expected to go higher. it had been expected to go higher

The record of the sale in detail is as

"Study of a Head," C D. Currier: J. Har-Montmarte," Michel: J. T. Wilson... Portrait of a Boy," W. M. Hunt: Cother 3 "Portrait of a Boy," W. M. Hunt; Cother & Co.
4 "The Quack Doctor," Van der Heuval; Glaenget & Co.
5 "Moonlight," A. P. Ryder; Cottler & Co.
6 "Portrait," W. M. Chase; S. Peters,
7 "Green, Hodlee," Alden Weir; Knoedler & Co.
8 "Coast of Portugal," Rousseau; L. Lailin Kellog;
10 "Loge des Danseuses," Degas; Cottler & Co.
11 "Behind the Scenes," Degas; Durand-Puel.

A Co.

17 "Port de Boulogne," Manet, Knoedler
A Co.
18 "The Smoker," Manet, Durend-Ruel
19 "Ball of Fire," Monticelli, S. P. Avery, Jr.
20 "Government of the Queen," Delacrotx; enry", at Villerville," Daubigny, N. E.

Total

VASE BRINGS \$2,600.

Total of Three Days' Sale of Chinese Art Objects Is \$34.000

The third day's sale vesterday of old Chinese art objects which were put up at auction by order of the art house of Thomas B. Clarke, at the American Art galleries, brought \$14,320. The total of the three

B. Clarke, at the American Art galeries, brought \$14,320. The total of the three days' sale amounted to about \$34,000 and the remainder of the collection will be disposed of to-day.

The object which brought the highest price yesterdey was a Sang de Bœif vase, catalogued as K'ang-hsi, which stood 16½ inches high. The bidding started at \$1,000 and it was finally bought for Mrs. John W. Simpson for \$2,600.

The same purchaser also secured an emerald green jar-shaped vase, 13½ inches high, of the K'ang-hsi era for \$410 and a jar-shaped pin-crackle, dark turquoise vase catalogued as of the Kien-Lang era, for which she paid \$200.

A globular Han vase, 7 inches high, with a silver and brown iridescent surface, brought \$300. Appleton Curtis secured a small globular Hen pottery vase with a silver iridescent surface for \$310. A pear-shaped, flaring neck bottle, a fine specimen of Ming red, brought \$310 and a green gisze bottle of the K'ang-hsi era, 12 inches in height, was bid up to \$400.

BENJAMIN WRIGHT DEAD. Was Once Conspicuous for His Connection

as a Lawyer With Flack Divorce. Benjamin Wright, aged 62, died at his

home, 50 East Sixty-first street, yesterday morning following an operation for kidney trouble. For many years he was a member of the law firm of Culver & Wright of 132 Nassau street. That partnership ended and Mr. Wright has had his offices in the Potter Building, 38 Park Row, for some years. He was best known in banking and real

estate circles. He had been attorney for the Dry Dock Savings Bank for twentyfive years. He was a director of the Stuy vesant Insurance Company and the Guarantee Title Company, and had been interested in a North River bridge company. A widow, who was Jerusha Siney of this city and two children, William S. Wright and and two children, william S. Wright and Lillie Meade Wright, survive him. He is also survived by a brother, Robert J. Wright, who was Commissioner of Charities and Correction under Mayor Strong.

A dozen years ago Mr. Wright came before the public conspicuously through his connection with the famous Sheriff Flack divorce case as counsel for Mrs. Flack in the secret proceedings which were disayowed by her.

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Mr. Wright explained his connection with the case by saying that he had received a letter from a friend he had known intimately for twenty-five years (who turned out to be Meeks, the referee), asking him to act as pro crina counsel in an amicable divorce. He had never appeared in court or before the referee. The Grand Jury called attention to this practice among lawyers, absolved Wright of oriminal intent, but censured him. vowed by her

ENGLISH VIEW OF IT.

American People W.II Estimate German Statements at Their Own Value.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, Feb. 15 .- The Washington correspondent of the Times sends a long despatch purporting to give authoritative facts in connection with the Anglo-German dispute concerning the attitude of Great Britain and Germany toward the United States at the time of the Spanish war. It includes a statement that all the diplomats except Lord Pauncefote and Dr. von Holleben were hot for intervention. What Lord Pauncefote undertook to do

was to moderate the zeal of his colleagues.

The correspondent supports his contention that Germany's "elaborate scheme to disturb American confidence in England and Lord Pauncefote" has failed by quoting rom an editorial in THE SUN, "that important journal which is seldom overfriendly to England."

The Times, editorially referring to this says: "When THE SUN bluntly speaks thus we may rest assured that the bulk of the American people will estimate at their real value those belated attempts of German officialdom to repair the political blunder they now feel conscious of having committed four years ago."

Referring to Prince Henry's alleged letter to Admiral Dewey, the Times says: "If it is authentic it does credit to the Prince As a gallant sailor and the representative of the gallant German Navy, he doubtless felt that he could not take a German squadron to American waters without first expressing in frank and manly terms regret for the German error at Manila."

BRITAIN REPEATS DENIAL. Had Nothing to Do With Proposal for Joint Note on Cuba.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, Feb. 14.—Replying to a question in the House of Commons this afternoon as to the collective note to the United States in regard to the intervention of the American Government in Cuba, Viscount Cranborne, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said that the meeting of the diplomats in Washington in April, 1898, was convened by Lord Pauncefote as Dean of the Diplomatic Corps. Whatever opinions Lord Pauncefote expressed that meeting were informal and were not the result of instructions received from the British Government. Her late Majesty's Government considered the terms proposed in the communication as injudicious and re solved to take no action thereon. They had not at that time received any intimation of

REFORMS IN CHINA. Sir Robert Hart Taking Charge of the Native Taxes.

special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. PEKIN, Feb. 14.-The native customs at Canton, which hitherto have furnished part of the throne's private revenue, will be transferred to Sir Robert Hart, director of the Imperial Maritime Customs, on Feb. 17. Arrangements are pending for the transfer of the receipts at several other ports to the Imperial Maritime Customs. Sir Robert Hart expects that the cost of administering the native customs under his direction will be 10 per cent. of the receipts. The returns show that the present

Owing to Sir Robert's opposition to Chang Chih Tung's gigantic lottery scheme and his refusal to lend his name to cover Chinese frauds the Government will itself establish the lottery. Sir Robert demanded complete control of the lottery. Chang Chih Tung and the growing party of anti-Occidentals accuse Sir Robert of grasping after power in this matter and also in the extension of the imperial post into the interior of the country.

The Chinese now boast of the employ ment of Japanese military officers to train and command Yuan Shih Kai's troops, Twenty-two Japanese police officers are now in charge of the Pekin police. Members of the Board of Foreign Affairs and other high officials profess to be seek-ing a place in which to begin reforms, and

ing a place in which to begin reforms, and are consulting frequently with Sir Robert Hart. The officials confess that they are bewildered. Western reformers and scholars are not recognized by the Govern-

NO IRISH ALLIANCE.

\$128,325 | Lord Rosebery Repeats His Refusal - Dis-

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, Feb. 14.-Lord Rosebery addressed a great meeting at Liverpool to-He received an ovation. He comday. mended Dr. Kuyper, the Netherlands Prime Minister for his efforts to secure peace in South Africa, and said he thought the suggestion that the Government grant Boer delegates passes to South Africa had been well worthy of the Government's consideration, notwithstanding the limited nature of the commission the delegates possessed. Lord Rosebery emphasized the criticisms he made at Chesterfield in re-

gard to the making of peace. He reasserted his repudiation of an alliance with the Irish. The claims of the Nationalists could not be conceded, he said. They had declared that nothing short of absolute separation would satisfy them, and no sane man would ever advocate granting them independence, which of war might turn the balance

Paper Manufacturers Dine.

Upward of three hundred men interested in the paper manufacturing trade attended the annual dinner of the American Paper and Pulp Association at the Waldorf-Astoria last night. It was the twenty-fifth annual festival of the organization. The speakers included Samuel L. Powers, the Rev. Dr. Minot J. Savage, Llewellyn Powers, George H. Daniels and John R. Van Wor-

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If Statements of the Allies Are Sincere, Say the St. Petersburg Papers, the Agreement Is Really a Guarantee of Peace-No Reason for Russia to Object

Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN St. Petersburg, Feb. 14.-The first Russian comment on the Anglo-Japanese treaty is contained in the St. Petersburg Zeitung to-day. The paper says that it it is the sincere wish of the contracting parties to preserve the territorial integrity of China and Corea and assure peace in the Far East, this surprise has nothing alarming in it. It can scarcely be intended in any quarter to solve the problem of the Far East with the edge of the sword.

The Zeitung declares that the aims of England and Japan do not clash with Russia's intentions, hence there is no cause

at present for anxiety. The Herald comments in a similar tone It says the alliance was by no means unexpected by Russian diplomacy. They could not object to Great Britian and Japan formally professing a standpoint which Russia had previously adopted. They might now trust that there would be five years of undisturbed peace in the Orient. It is asserted in official circles that the Anglo-Japanese treaty coincides with the principles Russia has already established as the basis of her policy in the Far East

The preamble of the treaty is such that Russia herself could subscribe to it. The officials are not aware of what power is aimed at by the mention of war and coalitions, but if peace in the Far East is at All the Russian conventions with Japan aim at the integrity of China and the independence of Corea, whose relations with

Russia are most friendly. Russia has also positively assured the United States that she will in no way interfere with American interests in China and has received reciprocal assurances from

the United States. PARIS, Feb. 14.-The Lanterne says the reaty between Russia and China has been signed. The paper says this is Russia's reply to the Anglo-Japanese alliance.

GERMAN NAVAL PLAN. Budget Increased, and Many New Warships to Be Under Way by April 1.

Special Cable Despotch to THE SUN. BERLIN, Feb. 14.-The Admiralty has issued a statement of the naval estimates for 1902-03. The amount asked for is 625,100,000 marks, compared with 617,500,000 marks last year. There will be under construction on April 1 13 battleships, 22 armored cruisers, 2 second-class cruisers, 2 third-class cruisers, 10 torpedo-boat destrovers and 5 torpedo boats.

Cheate and Yerkes Ill in London. Special Cable Desputch to THE SUN.

LONDON, Feb. 14.-Joseph H. Choate, the American Ambassador, and Charles T. Yerkes are ill with influenza.

The area of high pressure central over the upper Lake regions covered the whole interior of the country north of the Gulf Stetes yesterday. The pressure was low over the extreme Northeast and on the north Pacific slope. There was a slight disturbance central over Mississippi and Louis Freezing weather covered the country north of

the northern border of the Gulf States and west-ward to the Rocky Mountains districts. The lowest temperature reported was 2 degrees below zero at Williston, N. D. Heavy frost occurred

at Jacksonville. Fig.
The temperature rose in the southern portion
of the Gulf States and has fallen in the extreme
western sections and in the Ohio and Tennessee Snow fell in New York and in the Lake regions and middle Mississippi Valley, also in the Dakotas,

Montana and northern Texas. There was rain in the lower Mississippi Valley and on the Pacific Coast. In this city the day was fair and warmer: wind

fresh to brisk northwest; average humidity, 57 per cent.; barometer, corrected to read to sea level, at 8 A. M., 30.15, 3 P. M., 30.14. The temperature yesterday, as recorded by the official thermometer, and also by THE SUN'S ther-mometer at the street level, is shown in the an-

WASHINGTON FORECAST FOR TO DAY AND TO MORBOW,

For custern New York, eastern Pennsylvania New Jersey and Delaware, fair to day and probably to morrow: fresh northwest winds, becoming variable. For New England, fair to day and probably to-morrow: fresh northwest winds.
For western New York, generally fair to-day and te-morrow; snow flurries along Lake hrie;

ROW IN REICHSTAG COMMITTEE. Chairman Resigns After a Dispute Over the Tariff Bill.

Special Cable Desputch to THE SUN.

BERLIN, Feb. 11.-The committee of the Reichstag which has been discussing the Tariff bill adopted by a large majority to-day a motion that the Government should bring the bill into operation by Jan. 1, 1905, at the latest, although Count Posadowsky-Wehner, the Prussian Secretary of the Interior, declared that the Government could not accept the bill.

Various motions were made by the Liberals but Herr Von Kardorf, the chairman of the committee, refused to put them before the committee. The Liberal's objected to his ruling and insisted on a decision. The question was submitted to the committee, which decided that the motions should be considered. Thereupon Herr von Kardorf, the chairman, resigned

ASSAULTED BY AN AMERICAN. Former Student Attacks Italian Professor in the Street in Rome.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.
LONDON, Feb. 15.—A despatch from Rome the Morning Leader says that Prof. Ciappi of the School of Engineering was attacked on the street by a former student named Gilmore, a native of Cincinnati, who severely handled him.

Gilmore took his engineering degree in November. It is supposed that he had a grudge against Prof. Ciappi for his method of examination. After the assault Gilmore fled and has not been found.

CLASH OVER OCEAN RATES. British and Continental Lines Disagree

on Rebates on Return Tickets. Special Cable Desputch to THE SUN.
LIVERPOOL, Feb. 14.—The British steamship lines have made a demand that they be allowed to grant a 15 per cent. rebate in Atlantic passenger rates on return tickets. The Continental lines allow only 10 percent. rebate. As a result of this demand, there is serious friction between the British and Continental companies

Agreement Expected on Sugar Bountles

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN VIENNA. Feb. 14 - The Neue Freie Presse s vs that there is a complete understandng between Austria and Germany on the sugar question. Both are prepared to meet the demands of Great Britain in a conciliatory manner, and accordingly, if the Brussels conference ends successfully, sugar bounties will be abolished. Moreover, an abatement in sugar duties by approximately the amount of the premiums will be proposed.

Water Famine at Hong Kong. "

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. Hong Kong, Feb. 14. There have been two cases of the bubonic plague here this year. The colony is suffering from a water famine. There is only a four weeks' supply in the reservoirs. This restricts the work of cleansing as a preventive against the

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.
LONDON, Feb. 14.—The Bankers' Magozine, in an analysis of 325 stocks, shows that the fall in capital value in two years

amounted to £250,000,000.

Fall in Value of English Shares.

Mascagni Writing a New Opera. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. PARIS. Feb. 14 .- Pietro Mascagni, the composer, is working on his new opera, "Marie Antoinette." The scene of the pro-

logue is placed in the court of Austria. 8% GOLD First Mortgage Bonds

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